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FEMA Region 6 Weather Threat Briefing

Monday September 27, 2021

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Summary of the Upcoming Week



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- **Isolated heavy rain/flash flooding possible over portions of NM as well as W and NW TX this week.**
- **Isolated strong to severe storms across NW TX/W OK on Tuesday, and parts of OK on Thursday.**
- **No impacts to FEMA Region 6 are expected from Hurricane Sam, but two tropical areas of interest off the coast of Africa bear watching over the next week or two.**

FEMA Region 6 Threat Matrix

Sep 27, 2021 - Oct 1, 2021



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DAY / THREAT	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Severe Storms		NW TX, W OK		OK	
Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding	NW NM	W NM		NM, W & NW TX	NM, W & NW TX
Fire Weather					
Tropical Winds / Surge					
Heat					
River Flooding					

	No Weather Threats Expected
	Very Common – Happens Often
	Common – Happens Frequently
	Uncommon – A Few Times a Year
	Rare – Once Every 1-5 Years
	Very Rare – Once Every 5-10 Years

Threat levels are based on FEMA Region 6 criteria. State or local threat level criteria may differ.

For more details on the colors in the threat matrix refer to the last slide in this briefing.

Tropical Weather Outlook – Atlantic/Gulf



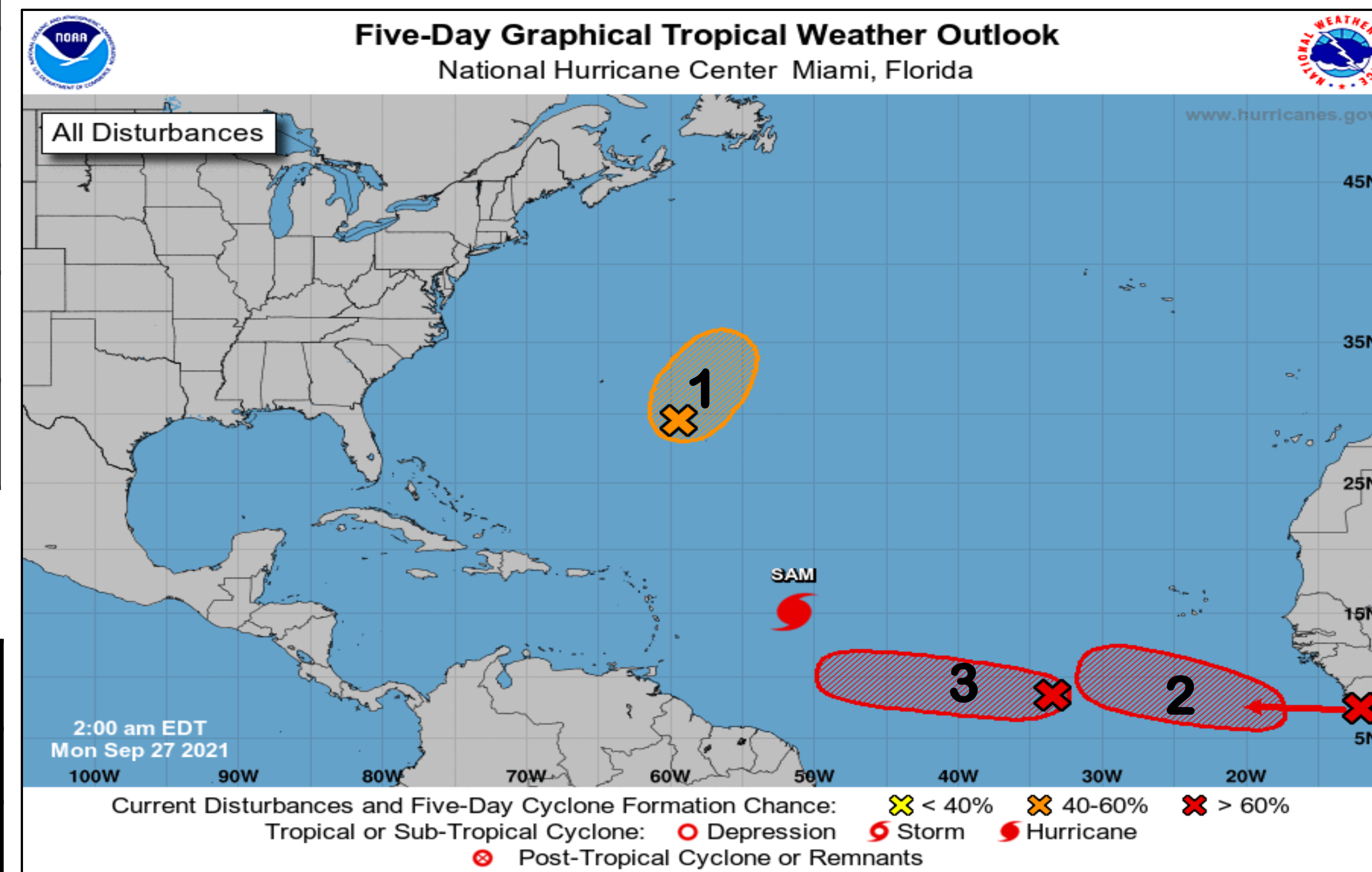
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Areas of Possible Development

Area	Chance of Development	Potential Impacts to FEMA 6
1	Medium	None.
2	High	None in the next 5 days.
3	High	None in the next 5 days.

Active Tropical Cyclones

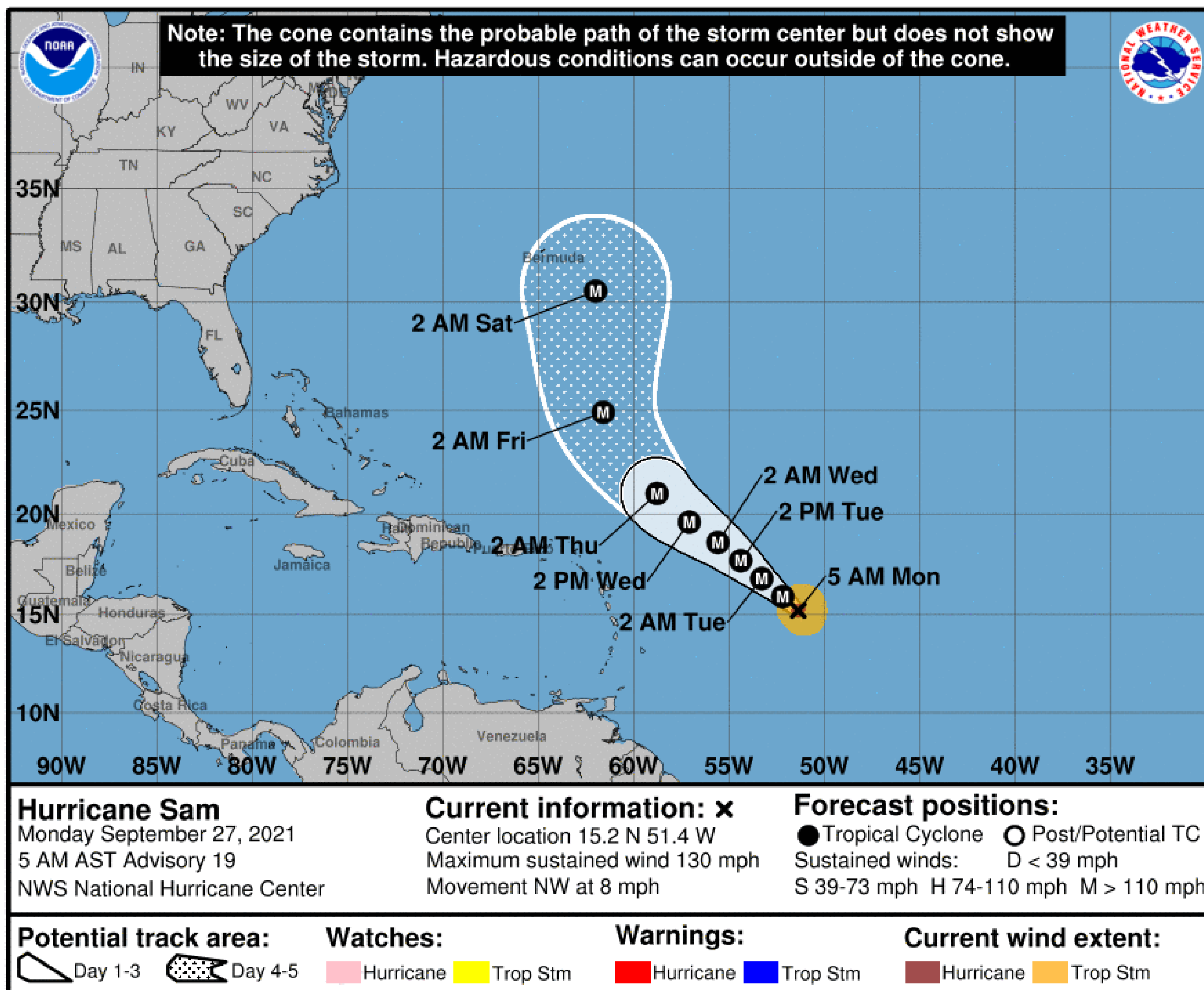
Storm	Potential Impacts to FEMA 6
Sam	None.



Hurricane Sam



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Hurricane Sam is a Category 4 storm and moving to the northwest, and that is expected to continue through midweek.

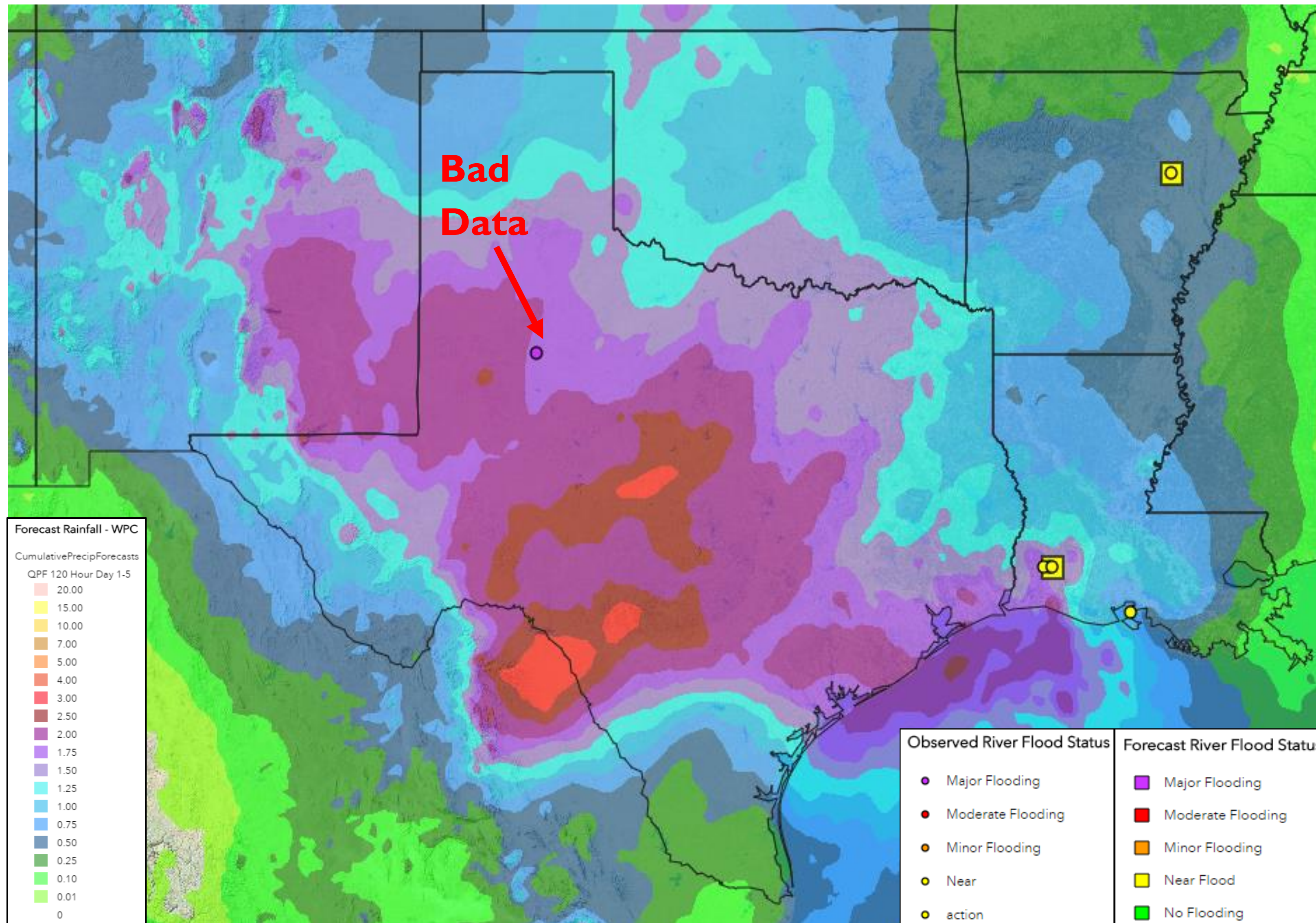
Long range modeling indicates that Sam will remain well off the east coast of the U.S. No impacts to FEMA Region 6.

5-Day Precipitation Forecast & River Flood Status



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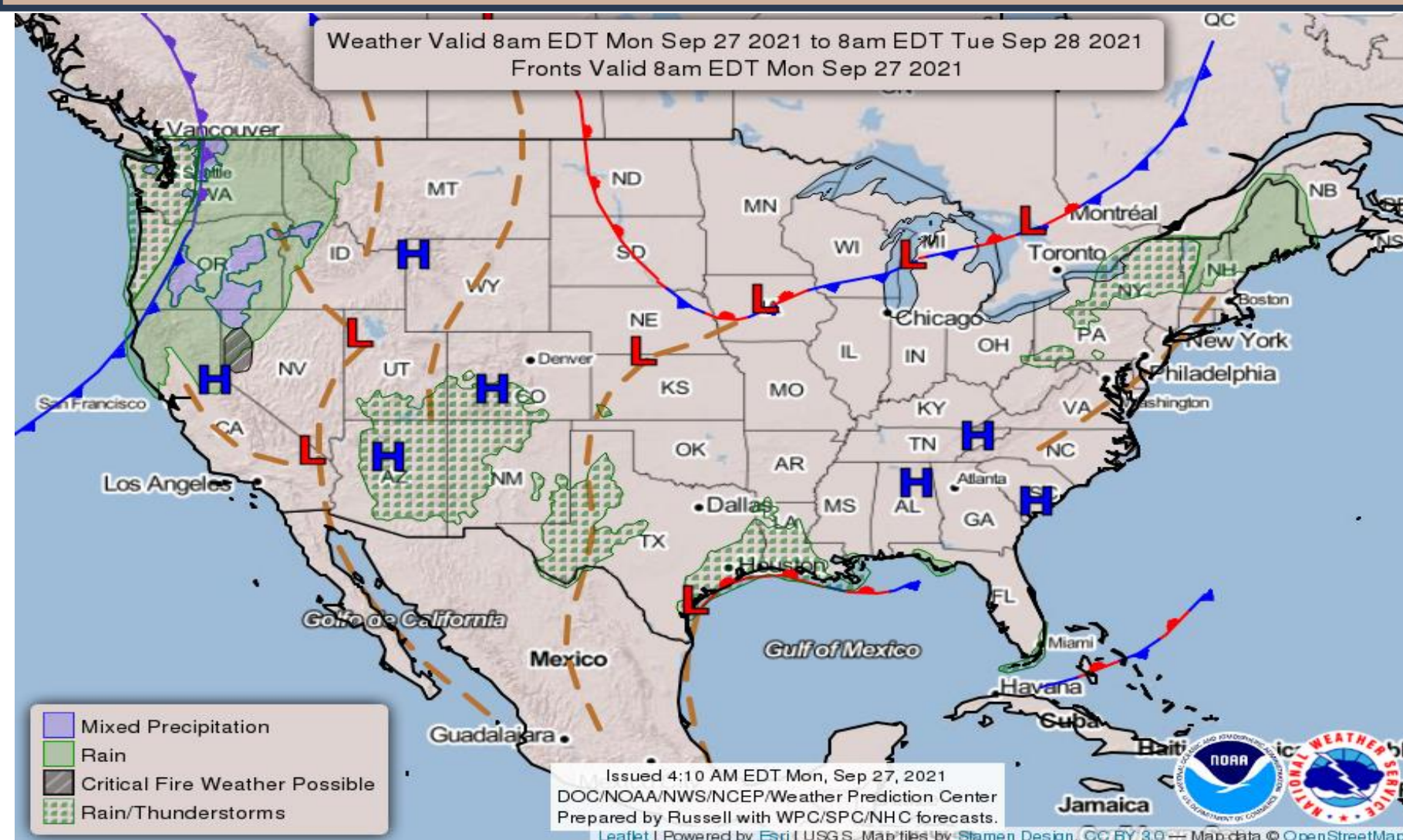
Note: Even though the image displays 5 days of forecasted rainfall, river forecasts only include 1-2 days of rainfall



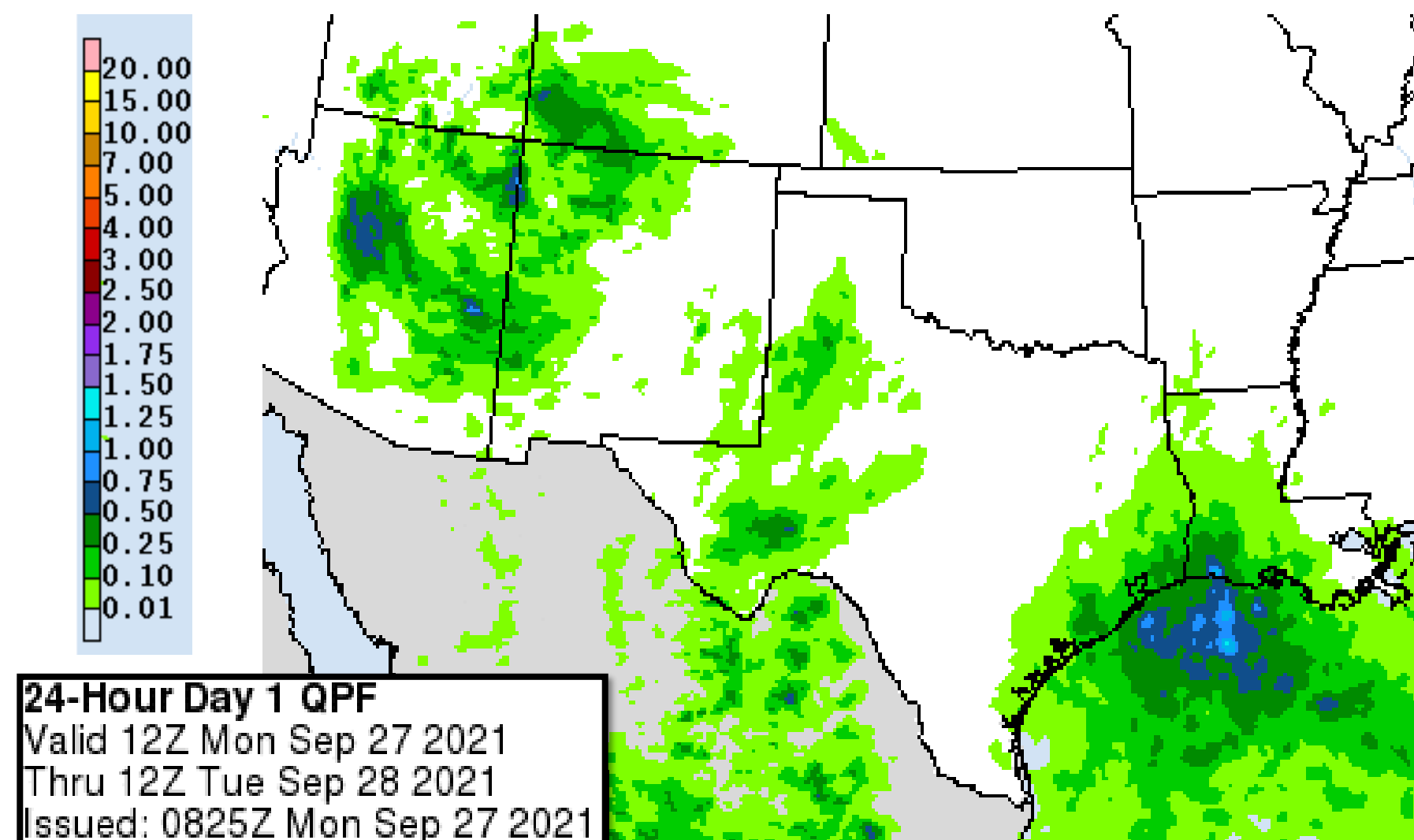
No significant flooding is occurring or forecast.

Today's Weather

Forecast Chart



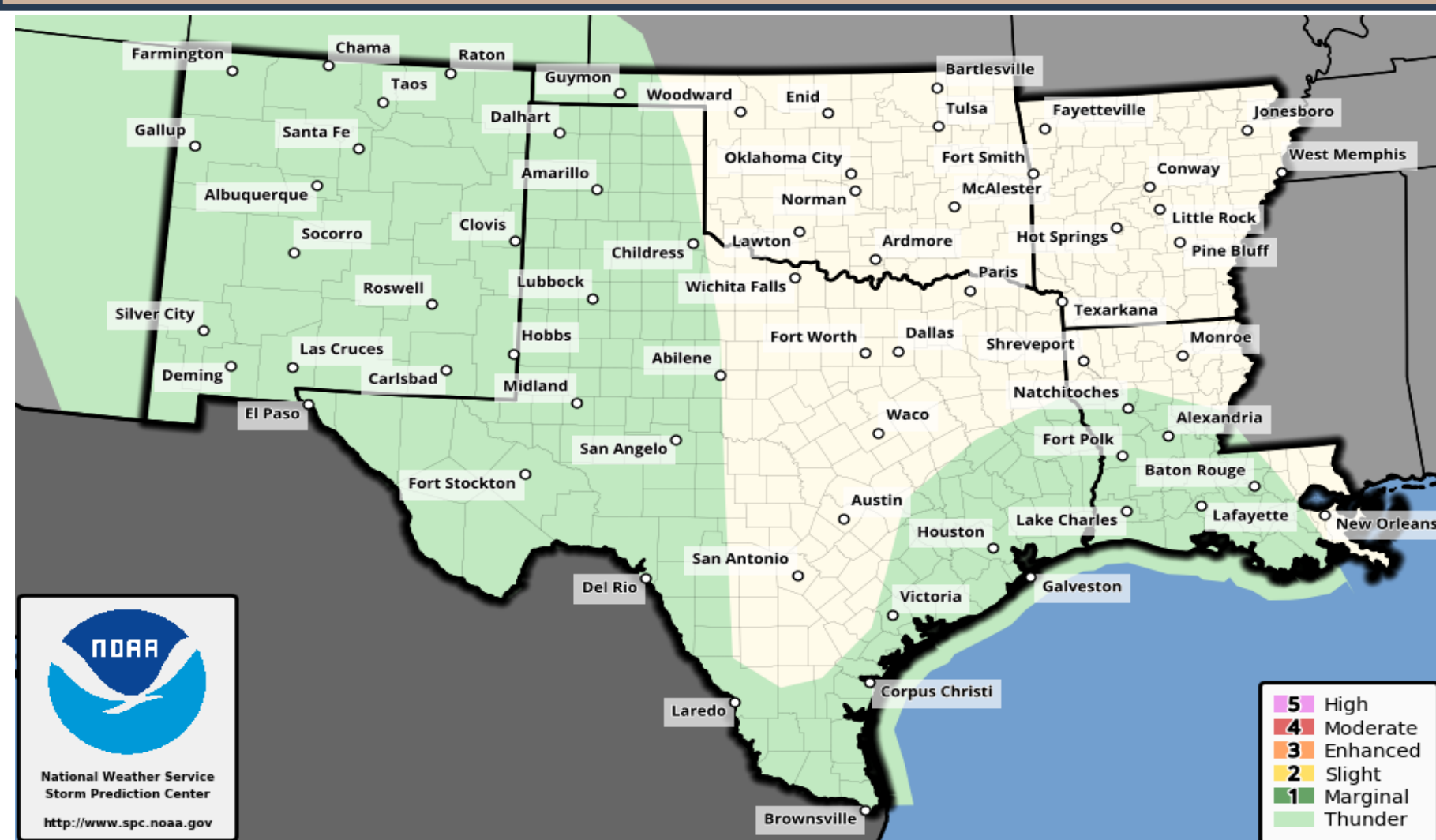
Forecast Rainfall



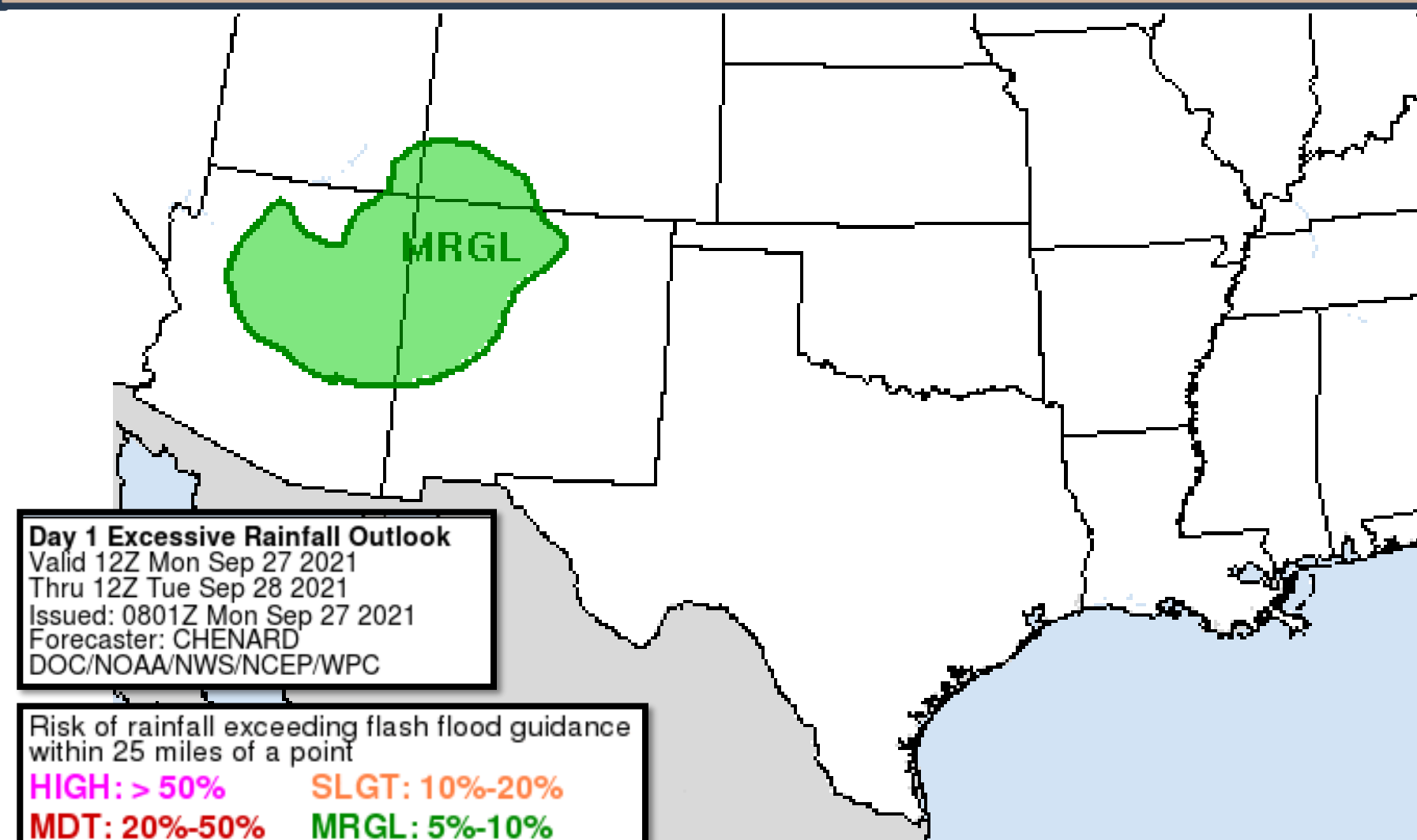
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Isolated heavy rain/flash
flooding possible over NW
NM.

Severe Weather Outlook



Excessive Rainfall Outlook

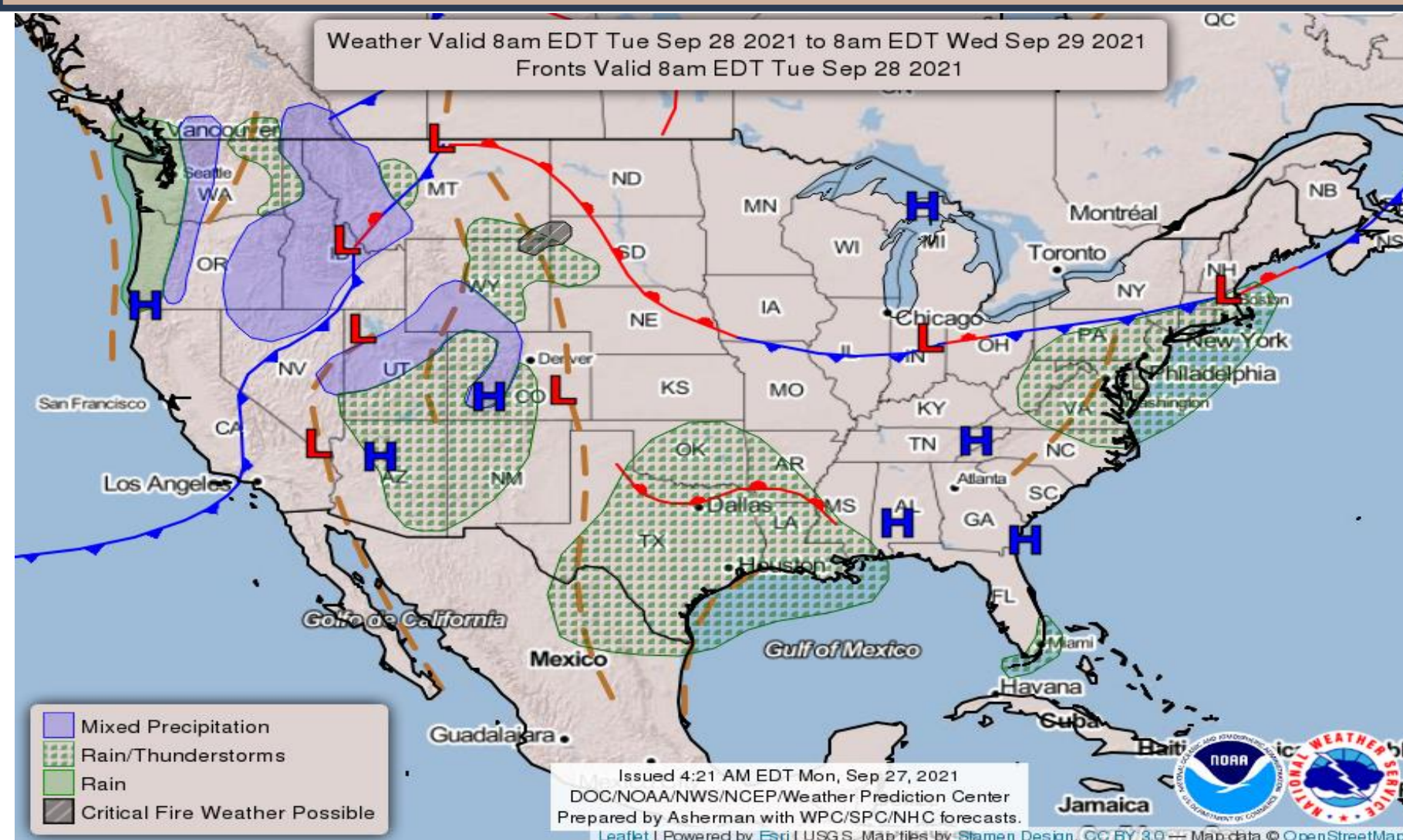


Tomorrow's Weather

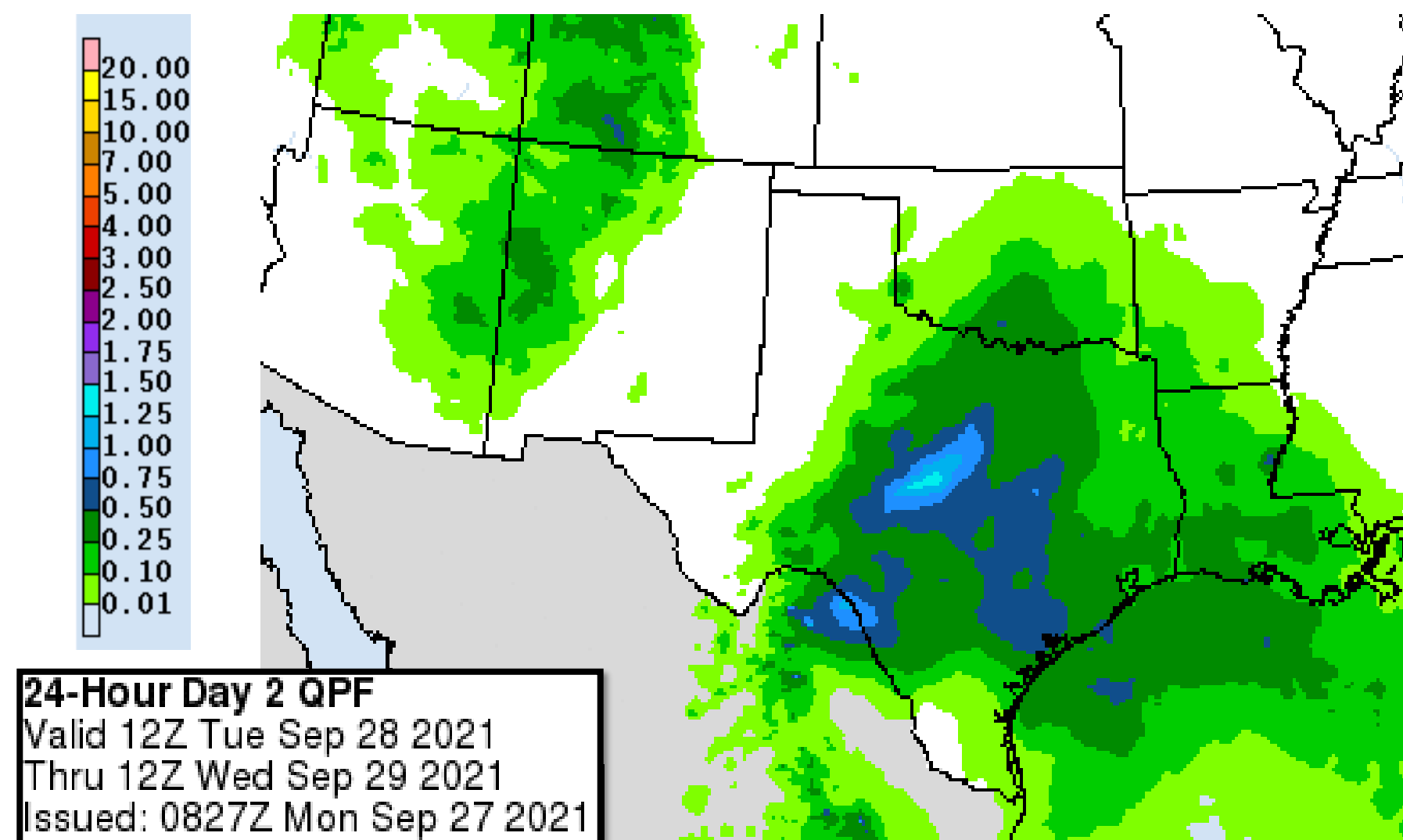


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Forecast Chart



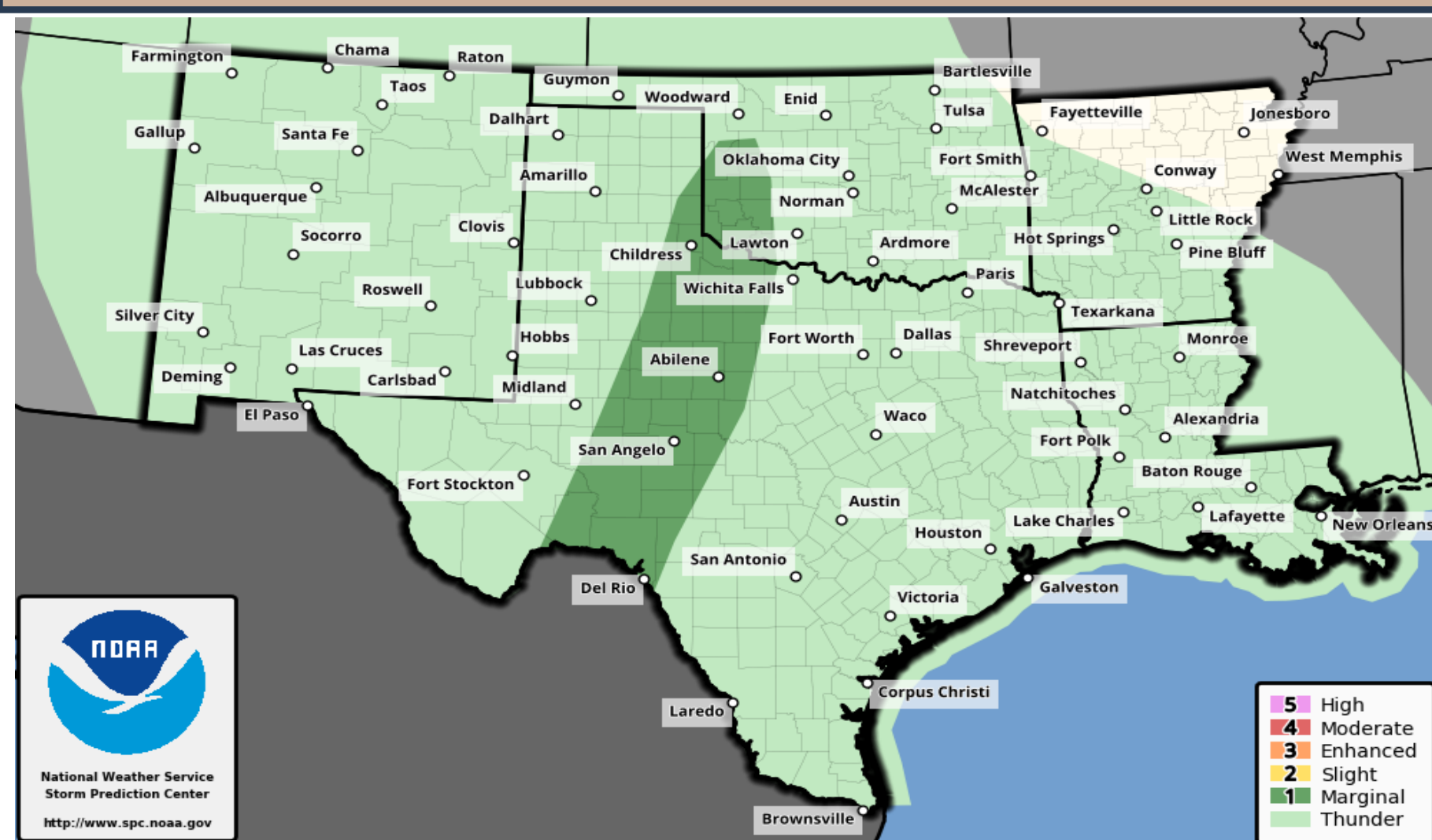
Forecast Rainfall



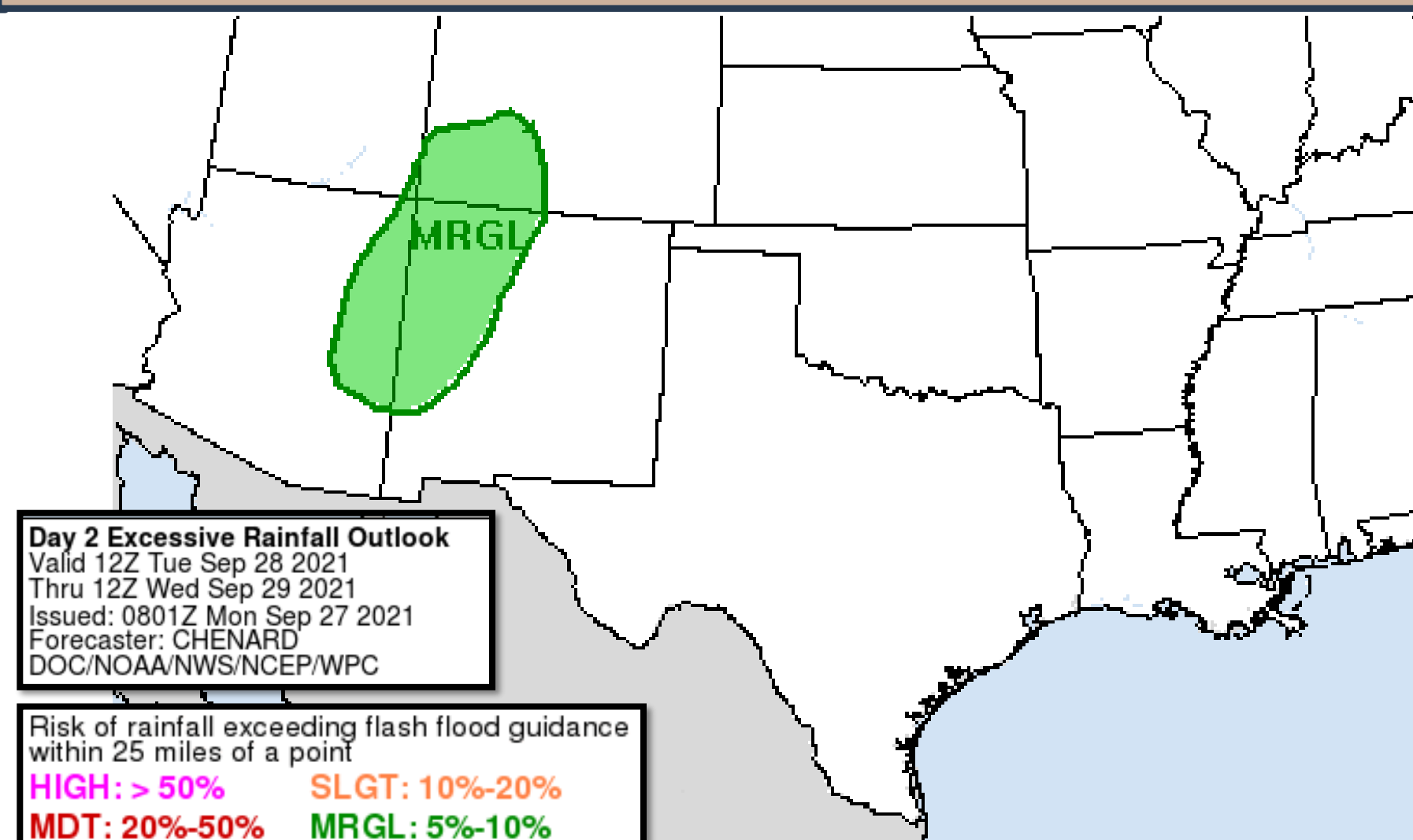
Isolated heavy rain/flash
flooding possible over W NM.

Isolated strong to severe
storms with damaging
winds/large hail across W OK
into NW TX.

Severe Weather Outlook

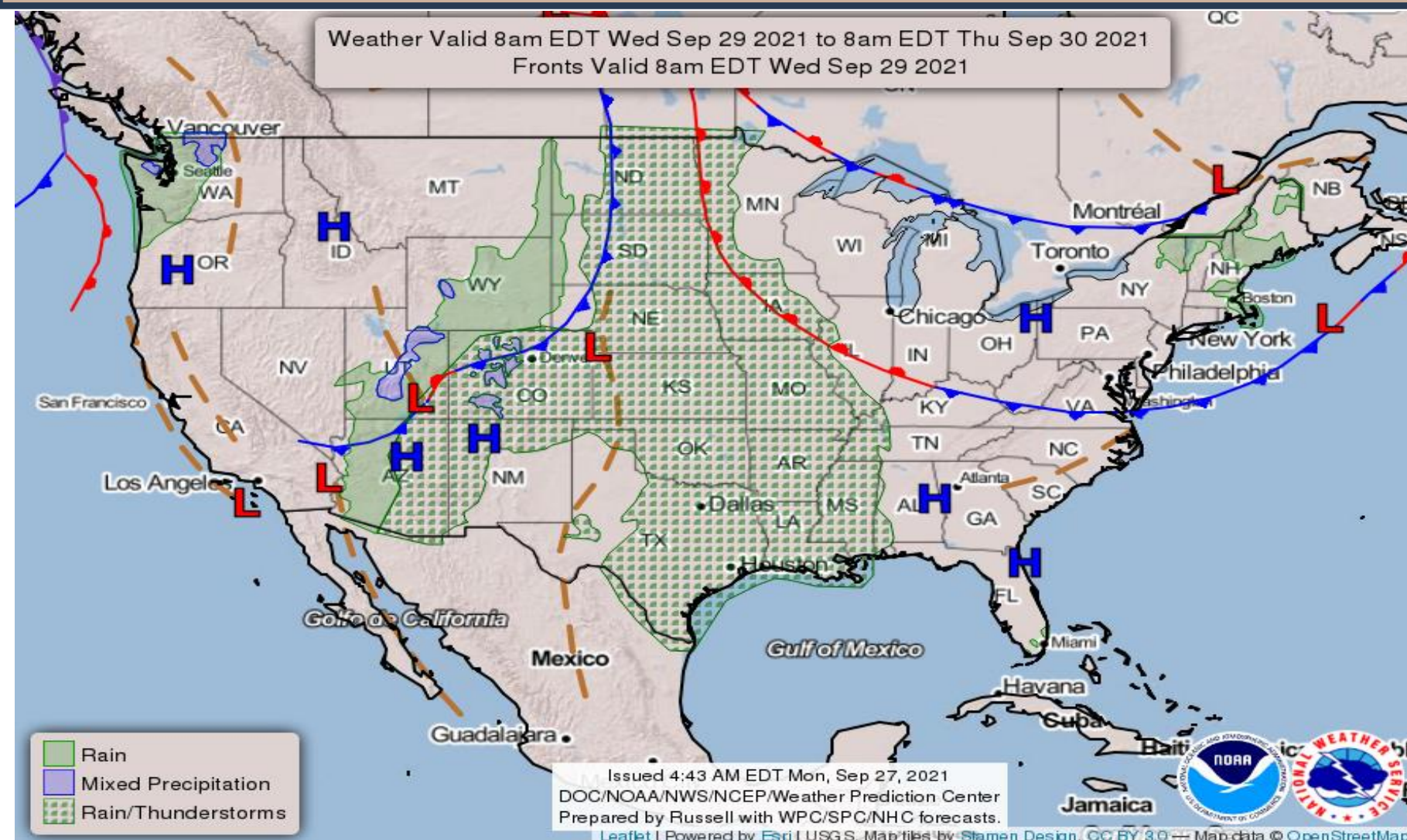


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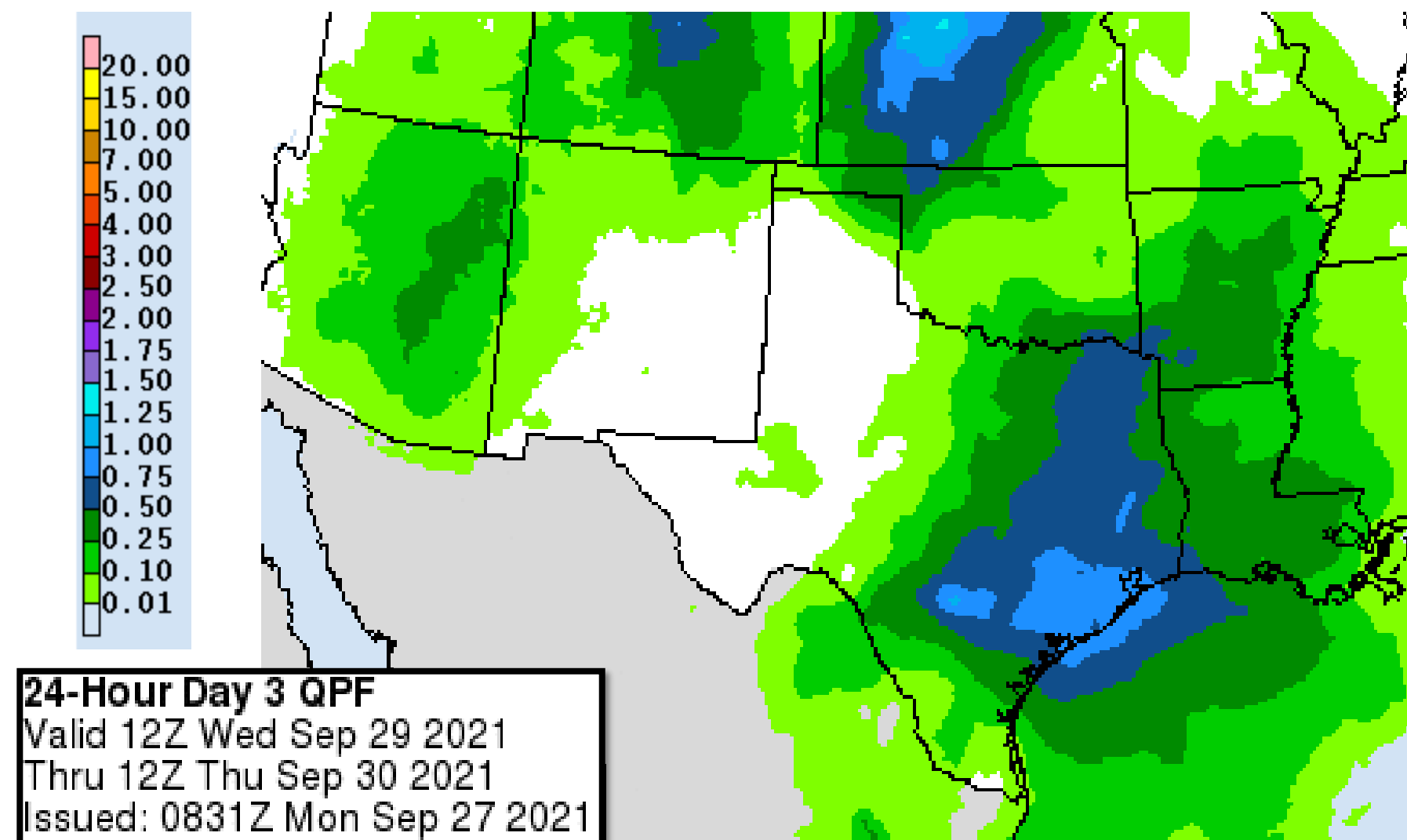


Wednesday's Weather

Forecast Chart

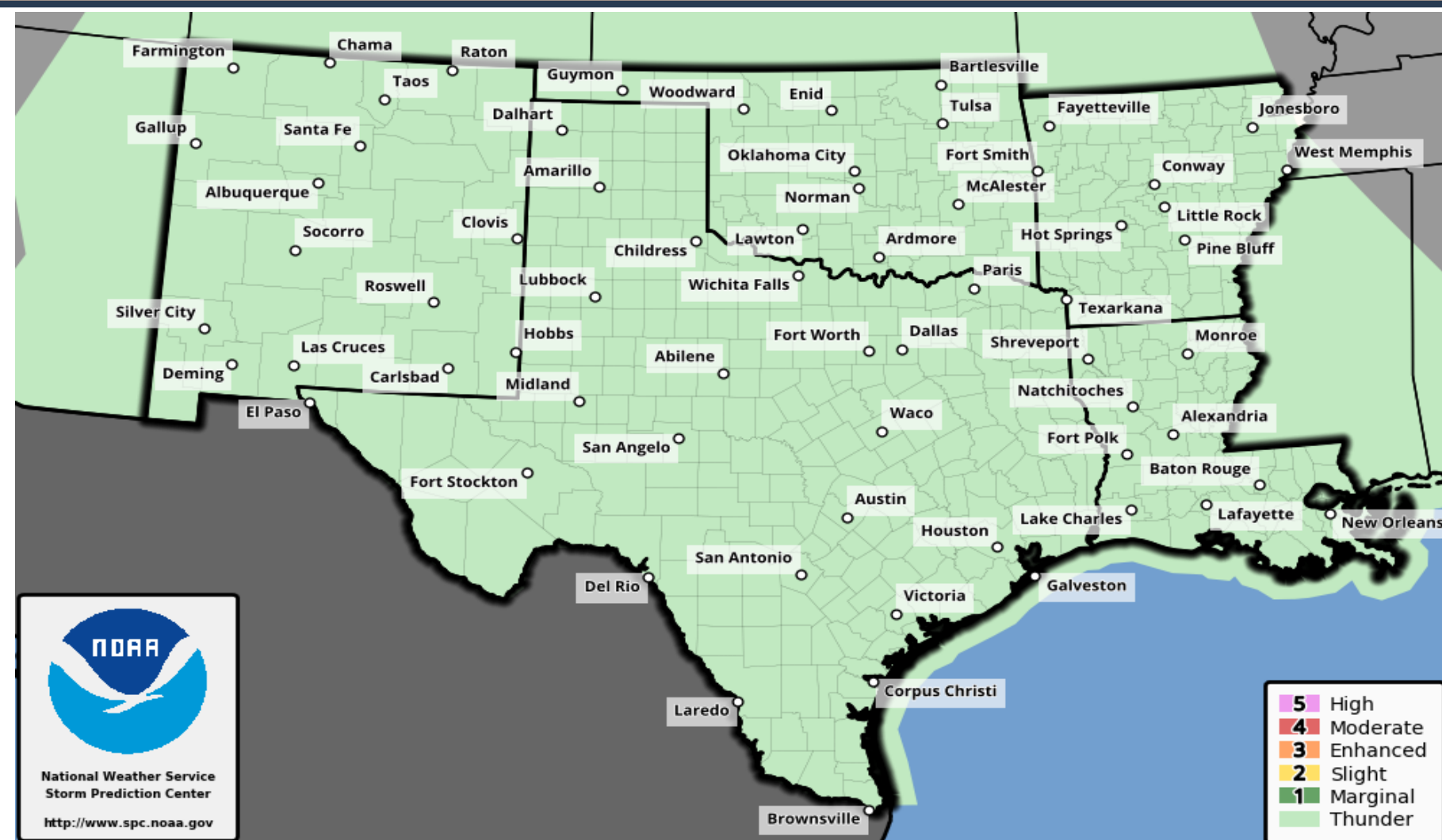


Forecast Rainfall

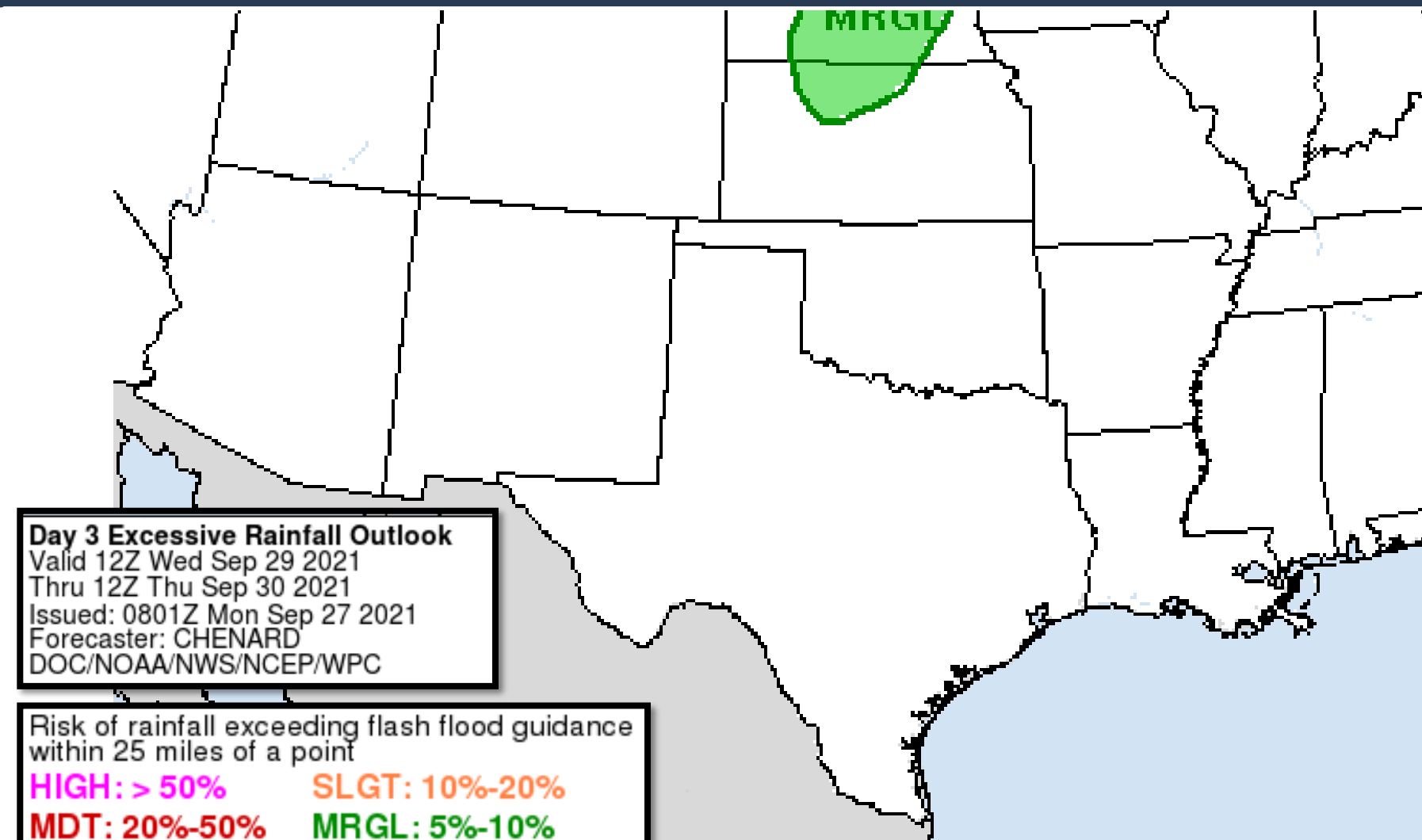


No significant weather impacts expected.

Severe Weather Outlook



Excessive Rainfall Outlook



Days 4-5 Weather Hazards

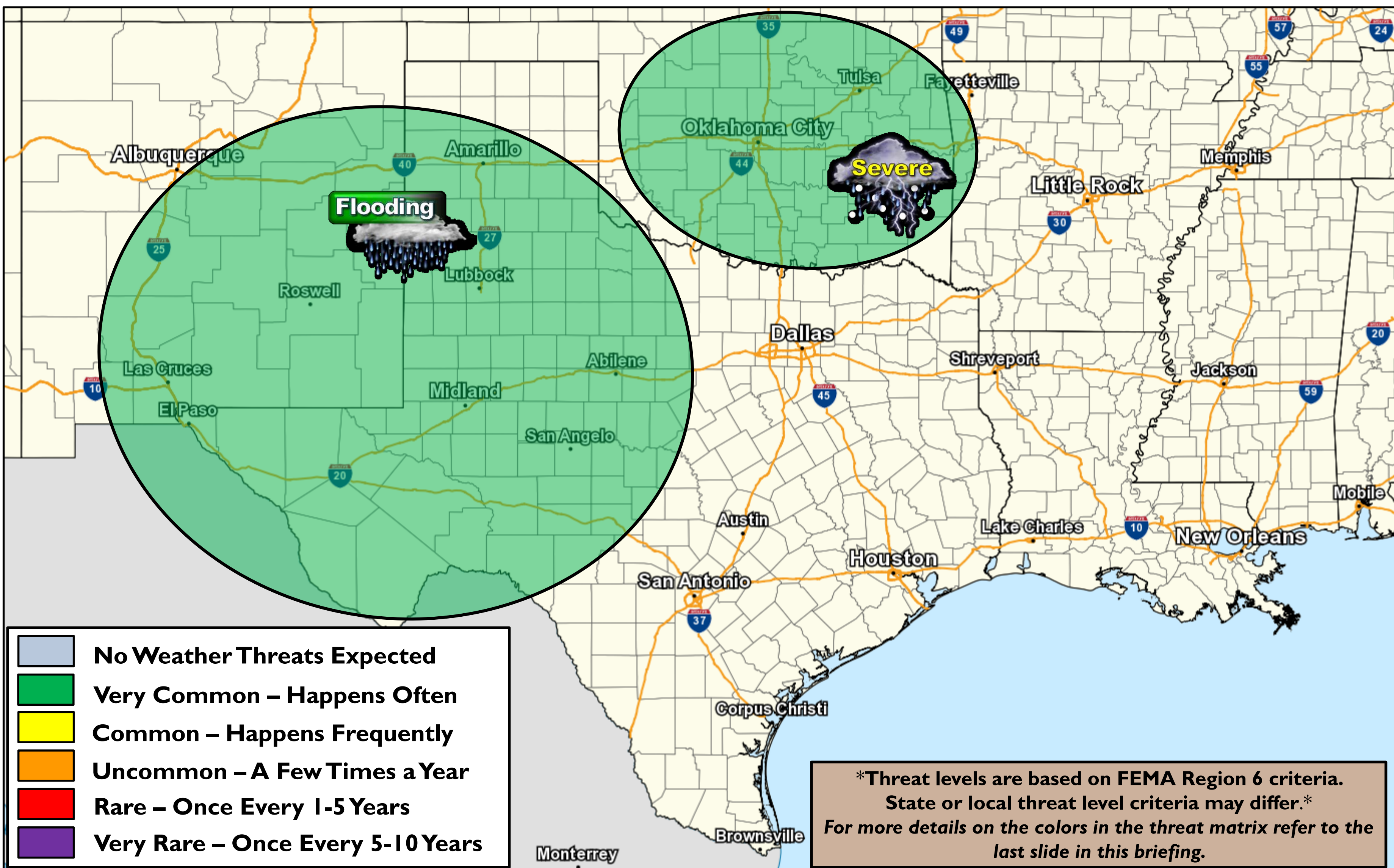
Thursday - Friday



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Heavy rain/flooding possible
Thursday/Friday.

Isolated severe storms on
Thursday.

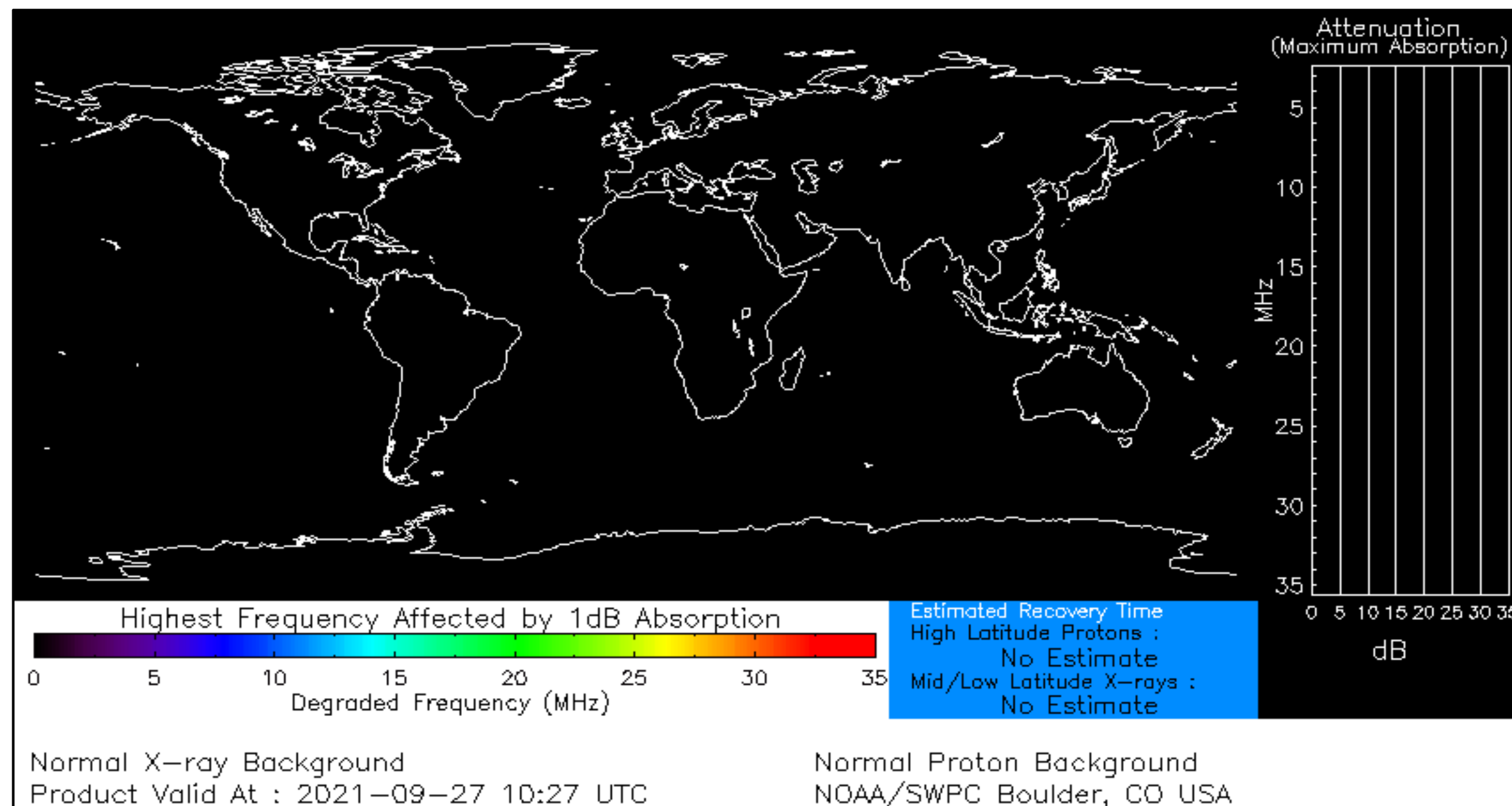


Space Weather 3-Day Forecast



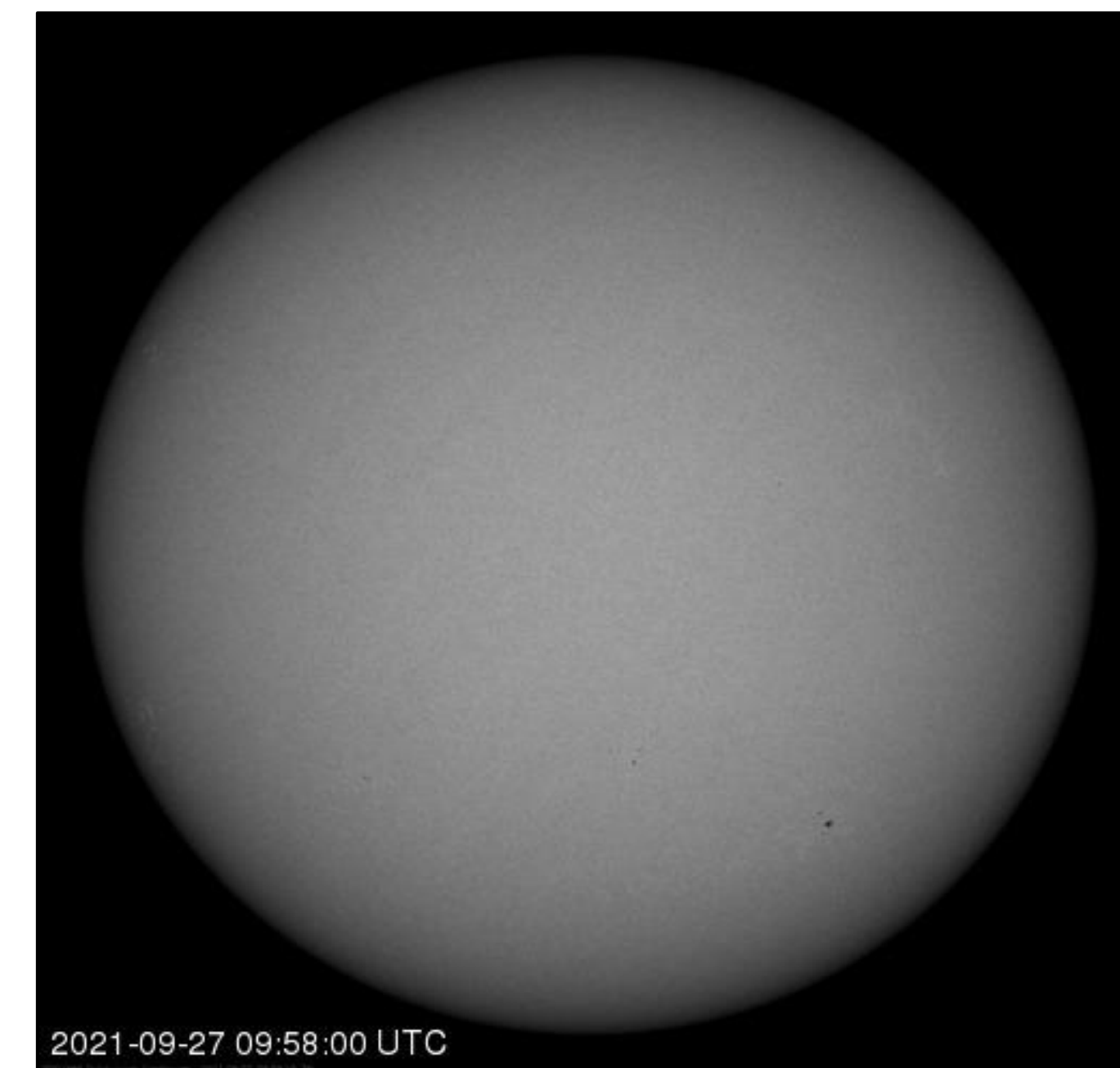
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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Geomagnetic Storms	Moderate (G2) Storm (Max Kp = 6)	Active (Max Kp = 4)	Active (Max Kp = 4)
Solar Radiation Storm (S1-S5)	1%	1%	1%
Radio Blackout (R1-R2)	5%	5%	5%
Radio Blackout (R3-R5)	1%	1%	1%



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3-Day Space Weather
Forecast Text](#)





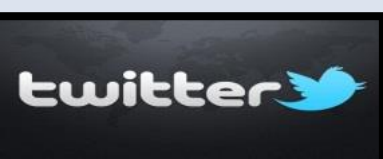
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Weather “Threat” Matrix			
Color	Definition	Criteria	Example(s)
Green	Very Common Safety: Rarely a Direct Threat to Life and Property Impact Potential: Typically Results in Little Inconvenience to Daily Routines	Severe: Marginal Risk from SPC Flooding: Minor flooding expected over localized areas Tropical: None Fire Weather: No Watches/Warnings, fuel moisture above 10% or green up active	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thunderstorms expected over LA this afternoon; a few may produce winds to knock down a few trees Something that happens almost every day in a particular season such as <u>seabreeze</u> storms in coastal TX
Yellow	Somewhat Common – Happens Frequently Safety: Rarely a Direct Threat to Life and Property Impact Potential: Typically Results in Some Inconvenience to Daily Life	Severe: Slight Risk from SPC Flooding: Nuisance flooded expected for a widespread area, or Minor flooding expected over isolated areas Tropical: A weak tropical wave expected to move towards or near any coastline Fire Weather: Red Flag Watches/Warnings and/or SPC outlines enhanced or critical fire outlook	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2-3 inches of rainfall expected over central AR today and tonight; some minor (brief) street flooding possible Scattered severe storms possible, one or two tornadoes expected, along with reports of strong winds/wind damage and ~1” hail
Orange	Uncommon – A Few Times a Year Safety: Often Threatening to Life and Property, Some Damage Unavoidable Impact Potential: Typically Results in Minor Disruption to Daily Life	Severe: Enhanced Risk from SPC Flooding: Minor flooding expected over a widespread area (including urban locations), or Moderate flooding expected over isolated areas Tropical: A Tropical Storm expected to move towards or near any coastline Fire: Critical fire outlook for more than 2 consecutive days, Warnings for 2 or more consecutive days, D3-D4 drought conditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A snow/sleet mix is expected to move through or near the DFW area tomorrow morning; travel impacts likely Numerous severe storms possible, a few tornadoes possible along with several reports of wind damage along with damaging hail Some large fires reported, burn bans advertised, critical conditions expected
Red	Rare – Once every 1-5 Years Safety: Extensive Property Damage Likely, Life Saving Actions Also will be Needed Impact Potential: Will likely result in Large Disruption to Daily Life	Severe: Moderate Risk from SPC Flooding: Moderate flooding expected over a widespread area (including urban locations) Tropical: A Hurricane expected to move towards or near any coastline Fire: Large areas of critical conditions for 2 or more days, Warnings for 3 or more days, Severe to extreme drought	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Category 1 hurricane will be moving towards the NW Gulf in the next few days Widespread severe storms likely, strong tornadoes, widespread wind damage, and destructive hail Large fires ongoing throughout the area with critical fire weather conditions expected to continue
Purple	Very Rare – Once Every 5-10 Years Safety: Property Damage Unavoidable, Immediate Action to Save Life will be Needed Impact Potential: Typically Results in Long-Lived Widespread Major Disruption to Daily Life	Severe: High Risk from SPC Flooding: Major flooding expected over a widespread area (including urban locations) Tropical: A Major Hurricane (Cat3 or greater) expected to move towards or near any coastline Fire: Large area of critical conditions for 2 or more days, Warnings for 3 or more days, Long term (months) of severe to extreme drought	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Category 4 hurricane is headed towards the SE LA; major storm surge, flooding and damaging winds anticipated to begin tomorrow Widespread severe storms expected, tornado outbreak probable with long-lived, very widespread and particularly intense storms

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